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PETITION FOR A ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of time, from September 25, 2002 up to and including October 25, 2002, pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) for filing a response to an Advisory Action based upon a final rejection dated June 25, 2002, in the above-identified application.

Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$110.00 for this extension fee. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any underpayments, or credit any overpayments, to our Deposit Account No. 06-1448.

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